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a) Johann SANITZER. Always the operator, HOETTL took occasion during this interrogation to propose that he be employed by United States Intelligency by establishing contact with Johann SANITZER, a former double agent operator of the German intelligence service who is now thought to be active on behalf of the Soviets. HOETTL proposed to reestablish contact with SANITZER's wife, or to attempt to make a connection with SANITZER through Dr. Othmar TRENKER, Dr. Karl EBNER, or Ing. Karl KOWARIK. The interrogator permitted HOETTL to expatiate at sufficient length to determine that HOETTL does not in fact know very much about SANITZER, either in the present or in the past. It is noteworthy that in a written memorandum which HOETTL had prepared on his typewriter before the interrogation containing the same proposal, he was unable to spell SANITZER's name correctly. (He spelled it SARNITZER). The interrogator then told HOETTL that he obviously did not know very much about the case and would not be qualified to operate in such a capacity, even if we were to change our entire orientation and decide that he could be trusted with such an assignment.

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